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## 5,000 SALOONS TO CLOSE IF EXCISE BILL IS PASSED.

Fritz Lindinger, President of the Local Liquor Dealers' Association, Says the Pending Measure Will Demoralize the Entire Saloon Trade in the Greater Municipality.

Effects of the Bill, He Declares, Will Be Widespread—Should It Become a Law Its Influence Would Inevitably Have Serious Results in Real Estate Valuations.

"Five thousand saloon-keepers in Greater New York alone would be driven out of business if this new Excise bill becomes a law."

This statement was made this afternoon to an Evening World reporter by Fritz Lindinger, President of the New York County Wine, Liquor and Beer Dealers' Association.

"This whole matter has been a constant matter of agitation with us," he continued. "Higher license than now prevails would be a very bad thing, not only for the liquor dealers, but for many others and for the city."

"District-Attorney Jerome himself, when interrogated by Senator Green at Albany, when speaking on his Sunday Opening bill as to what effect the higher license would have upon the city, said that it would mean the opening of thousands of more 'speakeasies' than already exist, and let me tell you there are more of such places in New York to-day than the people realize."

### WOULD DRIVE THOUSANDS OUT.

"Higher license will drive thousands and thousands of reputable dealers out of the business. The increase of \$400 will mean more than their whole year's profits to thousands, and there will be nothing left for them but to get out."

"I can assure Gov. Odell and his advisers and abettors in this scheme to raise the tax that their figures are all wrong. They look very pretty on paper. They expect to raise \$2,000,000 additional by the increase in the tax. But they will not get it, even if the measure becomes law, which I greatly doubt, for the very simple reason that there will be thousands less to get any tax at all from."

"I notice, too, that at this caucus it was stated that the increase of the liquor tax would not hurt the Republican party, because the liquor dealers did not cut much of a figure with the party. It is all very well to argue that way, but they are wrong there, too. There are thousands of persons not liquor dealers who are still affected by the prosperity of the liquor dealer."

"This measure would be a decided slap at the hop-growing counties in the northern part of the State, where thousands of persons would be thrown out of work and which are Republican almost to the last man."

"Then there are real-estate dealers, who are mostly Republican. They, too, would be hurt very much when liquor-dealers by the thousands are driven out of the business to say nothing about the butchers and the bakers and the candlestick-makers, tradesmen of all sorts, who derive much of their business from the liquor dealers."

## BLOW TO REPUBLICANS, SAYS LEADER MURPHY

"There won't be many Republicans left in this city if the policy of Gov. Odell to make New York City pay the expenses of the rest of the State—the farmers included—is allowed to take form," said Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall to-day.

"I observe," he added, "that the Republicans held a Legislative caucus at Albany last night and determined to increase the liquor tax 50 per cent. That is part of Odell's policy, to saddle tremendous expense on this city. He figures to have this city pay the bulk of the State's expenses, to pay the expenses of communities not in any way related to this city. Certainly, New Yorkers will protest against such Republican enterprise. Republican voters themselves will revolt against such tactics."

Leader Murphy added that the tax policy of the Republicans in their avowed purpose to saddle heavy imposts upon New York City would tend to bring about a great Democratic victory next fall.

## \$200,000 FUND TO KILL THE EXCISE BILL.

(Special to The Evening World.)  
ALBANY, N. Y., March 11.—There is open talk about the Capitol this morning that a fund of \$200,000 will be raised to defeat the proposed bill to increase the excise license fee throughout the State 50 per cent.

### MANILA STEAMERS SINK.

Two American Vessels in Collision and Some Passengers Lost.

LONDON, March 11.—A despatch to-day from Manila says the local American steamers Navarra and Neustra Senora de Lourdes have been in collision off Punta Santiago and that both vessels sank and will prove total losses. Some of the passengers and crews were saved. The number of those lost is not stated.

### Missing a Week Now.

Eleven-year-old Thomas Redmond, of No. 200 Railroad avenue, Jersey City, has been missing since Thursday, March 5. His mother sent him on an errand and he failed to return. He was a pretty child, having dark hair and blue eyes. He did not look to be more than eight years old.

### WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Thursday for New York City and vicinity—Cloudy to-night, Thursday partly cloudy; light to fresh westerly winds.

### Hawaiian Prince Dead.

HONOLULU, March 11.—Prince Albert Kamehameha Kunikihewa is dead of consumption. The Prince was the last descendant of Kamehameha the Great, and would some day have been King of Hawaii had the Kamehameha dynasty been continued. He was a statesman, a soldier, and a patriot. He died at the age of 55.

## NEW YORK TO HAVE BOXING BOUNTS AGAIN.

Glove Contests Limited to Ten Rounds Certain to Be Licensed Under the Pending Frawley Bill.

### CLEAR COURSE FOR IT.

The Old-Time Shams of the Prize Ring Can't Flourish Under Its Provisions, but Good, Clean Bouts Can.

New Yorkers are to see boxing bouts again without leaving their own city. It will not be fighting as it was conducted under the old regime which killed the Horton law, but boxing with big gloves and limited to ten rounds.

Senator James J. Frawley, who has introduced the bill at Albany and who for many months has been working in the interests of his boxing measure, assured an Evening World reporter who saw him at Albany to-day that the bill would pass both houses and that the Governor would sign it.

The feature of Senator Frawley's bill is that he proposes a commission to take boxing under its wing and regulate it. The commission is to be composed of three State officials, with power to license regularly organized athletic clubs to conduct boxing matches. These officials are not to receive any compensation outside of the necessary expenses, and the total expenses must not exceed \$5,000 a year, which includes the salary of the secretary.

### Terms of the Licensees.

No licenses to hold boxing or sparring exhibitions will be issued to clubs not owning or leasing for at least a year their own club-house. Amateur athletic associations must be incorporated under the Amateur Athletic Union rules before receiving a license. There must be two judges and a referee; a decision in each contest; each contestant must be physically examined before entering the ring; no betting is to be allowed in the club-house, nor liquor sold therein. Five per cent. of the gross receipts, under the provision of the bill, are to go to the State.

These are a few of the important provisions of Senator Frawley's bill. The measure has met with favor in the State and New Yorkers fervently hope that it will pass. Senator Frawley says it will and that the Governor will sign it.

### An Old-Timer's Views.

One of the old-timers said this afternoon: "Why, it will be the greatest thing New York ever saw if we get boxing again. As far as the sporting fraternity and everybody interested in sporting events is concerned they might just as well block the Broadway trolley line, close all the theatres and stop the 'L' from running as to stop all boxing bouts in this State, as they did when the Horton law died. Good, clean, honest boxing will be just as interesting to us and a great deal less expensive than it is to go to Philadelphia, Chicago or Denver, or San Francisco, to see a bout. Frawley's bill is a good one. If it is lived up to the old-time fakes can't be pulled off. Boxing is a good, clean sport, if properly conducted, and ought to be encouraged. A man ought to learn how to take care of himself."

## LADY GORDON GONE WITH HER CHILD.

Court Ordered Her to Give It Over to Former Husband Following Divorce Action.

LONDON, March 11.—A sensational sequel has been furnished to the Gordon trial, which occupied the Divorce Court for three weeks, by the flight of Lady Granville Gordon with the child, Cloely, her daughter by her former husband, Eric Gordon, for the possession of which the suit was brought. In giving judgment yesterday Sir Francis Jeune, the presiding Justice, so scathingly commented on Lady Granville's conduct that it was easy to guess the Justice would order the child delivered to its father.

Lady Granville left the court and went home. She has since disappeared, and Lord Granville declares he does not know her whereabouts.

The wheels of Government. Birmingham National Westminster Bank has been ordered to pay to the Government the sum of £100,000 for the use of the Government.

## J. HAMILTON BROWN AND HIS ATHLETIC YOUNG WIFE, WHO IS ACCUSED OF LICKING LITTLE MR. WEBB.



## SHE BANGED HIS HIGH SILK HAT.

Then Young Mrs. J. Hamilton Brown Broke Little Mr. Webb's Glasses, Uppercut Him on Chin and Gave Him a Jolt on Ear.

Magistrate Cornell in the Harlem Court to-day placed Mrs. J. Hamilton Brown, the young wife of the wealthy inventor of that name, under \$500 bonds to keep the peace. Mrs. Brown was arraigned on a charge of assaulting little Matthew Webb, Jr., who formerly collected the rents in the many apartment houses that her husband gave her shortly after her marriage.

The assault charge embraced the following specifications:

Smashed beaver over head.  
Broke glasses.  
One jolt on the ear.  
One upper cut on the chin.  
Milk bottle hurled at head.  
Hurricane of short arm jabs at close quarters.

Mrs. Brown, who is tall and slender and very pretty, was before her marriage to the inventor a waitress in a downtown restaurant. She is now only twenty-four years old. Her husband, who has a flowing white beard and silvery hair, is seventy. All that is known of her early youth is that she was an orphan and brought up in New Jersey. Her maiden name was Helen Wilson.

### She Borrowed—He Sued.

After the marriage, which took place in August, 1900, Mr. Brown gave to his wife a number of apartment houses on upper St. Nicholas avenue. She engaged Mr. Webb to act as agent. Last summer she borrowed \$3,000 from her agent and then bounced him. He managed to collect \$2,000 of the borrowed money from Mrs. Brown's tenants. He sued for the difference in the Eleventh District Court, and last Wednesday secured a judgment for the balance of the money.

As he was leaving the court-room he charged that the fair defendant ambled up to him and brought her umbrella down on the top of his head, smashing his head in the shiny helmet. Then she sailed into him with both fists, accentuating each punch with an uncompromising adjective.

When little Mr. Webb had been patched up he secured a warrant, and last night went to the Brown apartment, at No. 68 West One Hundred and Seventh street, accompanied by a court officer. The Browns were not at home. Mr. Webb and Hamilton waited at the entrance. Mrs. and Mr. Brown came along. When she spied Webb she shied a milk bottle at him that just grazed his ear.

### Threat of a Patrol Wagon.

"Come to arrest me!" she exclaimed, and she clinched with Mr. Webb, but before she could do any serious damage the court officer intervened. Only by threats of getting a patrol wagon could he induce her to go to the police station.

Early to-day Mrs. and Mr. Brown appeared in the Harlem Court. Mr. Brown sat down on a rear seat and watched his wife's proceedings. Mrs. Brown

strde to the bench and stood demurely before Magistrate Cornell. When the Magistrate called upon the complainant Mr. Webb said he would rather not come forward until Mrs. Brown stood without the rail. This was arranged and Mr. Webb had his hearing.

After the Court had heard all the evidence and inspected the complainant's scars and bruises he announced to the prisoner that she would have to furnish \$500 bail to keep the peace to go to jail. He gave her until to-morrow to furnish the bond.

### ASSEMBLY FAVORS O'NEIL.

Bill Reinstating Policeman Passed by a Party Vote.

(Special to The Evening World.)  
ALBANY, March 11.—Assemblyman Finch's bill authorizing Police Commissioner Greene to reinstate Edward O'Neil in the New York Police Department passed the Senate to-day. Minority Leader Grady took occasion to say that O'Neil was removed for cause, and that the fact that he was removed by ex-Chief Devery should not be used in his defense. Majority Leader Baines called Senator Grady's attention to the fact that Devery now enjoys a seat in Tammany Hall.

"That is about all he has got," was Senator Grady's rejoinder. The bill was then passed by a party vote.

### TERMINAL BILLS PASSED.

Assembly Acts on Grand Central Station Measures.

(Special to The Evening World.)  
ALBANY, March 11.—By a vote of 108 to 4 the Assembly to-day passed the Re-Ed Terminal bills, which permit the New York Central Railroad Company to make extensive changes to the Park avenue terminal and the Grand Central Station.

The bills were immediately sent to the Senate, where they will be referred to the Railroad Committee.

### DEAD THREE DAYS WHEN OFFICER ARRIVED TO DISPOSSESS HER

When City Marshal J. W. Slater went to the apartment of Mrs. Georgia Paine at No. 126 West Twenty-sixth street, to-day to dispossess her he found her dead body lying on the sofa in the parlor.

Dr. Mix, of the New York Hospital, said the woman had been dead about three days. The police say death was probably due to natural causes.

Mrs. Paine was married, but none of the tenants in the house remembered ever having seen her husband.

### LATE RESULTS AT NEW ORLEANS.

Fifth Race—Malster 1, Moderator 2, Albert Lee 3.

### FEAR OF DEBTOR'S CELL CAUSES SUICIDE.

PROVIDENCE, March 11.—Rather than go to jail because he could not raise \$92.50 with which to satisfy an action of debt brought by Albert Rosenblatt, of New York, Max Oich, a gambler, of this city, to-day shot himself and died a few minutes afterwards in a policeman's arms. He leaves a widow and

## PENNELL MADE AN EFFORT TO STOP HIS AUTO

Brakes on the Machine Were Found to Be Set Tight—Lever Was Found Reversed and Other Indications that He Sought to Prevent the Awful Tragedy.

Mrs. Pennell Unconscious Since the Accident and Her Life Slowly Ebbing Away—Citizens of Buffalo Are Still of the Belief that the "Accident" Was Really a Suicide.

BUFFALO, March 11.—"Pennell put on the brake of the automobile in the effort to stop the fatal plunge into Gehre's quarry last night."

Medical Examiner Danster is authority for the above statement. He said this afternoon: "I have examined the ground on the edge of the quarry. The right wheels had ploughed up the ground, while the left made a smooth track. From these indications I should judge Pennell had tried to stop the machine."

An examination of the automobile was made this afternoon at the Main Street Station, where the machine was brought by the police from the Gehre's quarry. A brother of F. A. Babcock, who sold the automobile to Mr. Pennell, was present. It was stated the examination showed that the brake on the automobile was set tight, the lever was back on the reverse motion and the power was shut off.

"This would indicate unmistakably that Mr. Pennell put on the brake and had tried to save himself from plunging into the quarry," said Mr. Babcock. "The unfortunate man undoubtedly came to his death through a terrible accident."

Assistant Chief of Police Cusack said: "I have investigated the death of Pennell and it is my belief that it was purely accidental."

It was learned to-day that Pennell spent every moment of his time that he could in the company of Mrs. Pennell since the murder. It was his custom to take a ride with Mrs. Pennell in his automobile every morning and afternoon. Nearly every evening also he and Mrs. Pennell took long walks. The ride of yesterday, accordingly, was in keeping with the daily routine of Pennell's life adopted after the murder.

### MRS. PENNELL AT DEATH'S DOOR.

Mrs. Pennell is still unconscious and the physicians say her death is expected at any moment.

Once to-day Mrs. Pennell showed signs of consciousness, when she lifted her head slightly and feebly moaned, "Arthur, A-r-t-h-u-r."

When a surgeon spoke to her she did not show signs which would indicate that she understood what was being said.

This afternoon House Surgeon James J. Brown made the following statement: "Mrs. Pennell's condition is critical. She has not been conscious for a single moment since the operation was performed on her last night. We administered restoratives to her to-day, but even they did not seem to improve her. She may live ten minutes and she may live ten hours, but we have given up all hopes for her recovery. If Mrs. Pennell lives until 6 o'clock to-night she will surprise me greatly. Her vitality is very low."

"While in her delirious condition early to-day did Mrs. Pennell make any utterances?" was asked.

"All she said was 'Arthur, Arthur, dear, why don't you come this way?'" She said those words in a low, muffled voice about 5 o'clock this morning. I thought then she was semi-conscious. Since then she has been perfectly still, as though she was dead."

## "AN ACCIDENT," SAYS THE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE.

Superintendent of Police Bull, of Buffalo, over the long-distance telephone to-day, gave The Evening World the following account of his view of the death of Arthur Pennell:

"In the first place," said the Superintendent, "I want to say that I do not believe the death of Arthur Pennell had anything whatever to do with the Burdick mystery. I do not believe that the status of that case is changed at all by the automobile accident of last night."

"I believe it was an accident. I have examined the witnesses, and from what they say I am convinced that Pennell's hat was lifted from his head by the wind and that he made a sudden instinctive grab for it."

"In doing so he lost control of the steering gear. His machine was going very rapidly. The street was slippery. Before he knew it the automobile had skidded around and was headed straight for the stone quarry. It was over in a few seconds."

"It is not reasonable to think that a man would try to kill himself where there was a chance that he might not sustain much more than a broken leg. It is not reasonable to suppose that Pennell would take his wife with him if he wanted to kill himself that way. Why I know, and everybody knows, of dozens of cases where automobiles have suddenly become unmanageable and have dashed over the curb and into store fronts and telegraph poles."

"Out there it so happened that there was nothing to run into. The machine had a clean sweep before it to the stone quarry and over it went. It was an accident."

"Have you discovered whether or not any of his life insurance was payable to Mrs. Burdick?" the Superintendent was asked.

"Not yet," he replied. "But we are going to make a very careful examination of all his papers."

"If you are so sure his death was an accident and had no bearing on the mystery, why the careful examination?" asked The Evening World.

"Just as a matter of form," was the answer. "We cannot afford to

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